

Alexandria Black History Museum

Black History Month Events 2022

Throughout the Month of February – Vola Lawson Lobby, City Hall & Online

Martin Luther King, Jr. Alexandria City Public Schools Exhibition

See the 2022 submissions from Alexandria City Public School students in the Vola Lawson Lobby at Alexandria City Hall. This annual exhibition celebrates the legacy of Dr. King and African American History. The 2022 theme, *Celebrate Juneteenth, Celebrate Freedom*, focuses on the new federal holiday.



Cyan Blackwell



Trey Walk

February 8, 2022 – 4:00 - 5:00pm – Virtual/ Free
Community Remembrance Project: A Path to Truth and Justice

Cyan Blackwell and Trey Walk from the Equal Justice Initiative (EJI) talk about EJI and the Alexandria Community Remembrance Project's (ACRP) work with them to educate Alexandria citizens about the lynchings that occurred in

Alexandria of Joseph McCoy in 1897 and Benjamin Thomas in 1899. Register in advance at https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MBQfW2GJRFWm_ercWYb4Kw

February 12, 2022 – 10:00am – Virtual/ Free

Storytime with the Alexandria Black History Museum

In collaboration with the Alexandria Library, the Alexandria Black History Museum presents *Storytime*. Mrs. Lillian Patterson will share a book written by and about African Americans, bringing history and culture to life. This program is great for ages 4-8, but all are welcome. Sign up at alexandrialibraryva.org/events





Susan Strasser

February 12, 2022 – 11:00am - 12:30pm – Virtual/ Free

A White Historian Explores "Race Riots"

Violent clashes between large crowds of different races have disturbed the social order in the United States since long before the Civil War, and the phrase "race riot" has been used to describe such disparate events as the Tulsa massacre of 1921, the 1968 uprisings following the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., and the anti-Chinese riots of the 1870s. Susan Strasser investigates the term and a history of racially charged violence that has framed American discussions of race throughout the nation's history.

Register in advance at

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VJNkJWGDQ0CANEIVjDN4Og

February 16, 2022 – 7:00 - 8:30pm – Virtual/ Free

Film screening & discussion of "Odessa's Reign"

Crowned Queen of the Underworld, a Black female gangster runs the most lucrative gambling ring in D.C. in the 1950s, and manages to keep the D.C. police in her back pocket. Join the Alexandria Black History Museum for a screening of filmmaker Robin Hamilton's new film, followed by a discussion with the filmmaker. Register in advance at

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MhrIAUIpTOuJL_a-WSwjDw



February 19, 2022 – 11:00am - 12:30pm – Virtual/ Free

Washington Revels Jubilee Voices in Concert

The Alexandria Black History Museum presents the Washington Revels Jubilee Voices in concert. Join the Revels as their members explore the rich history of African American music and Alexandria's Black History. This performance is given especially in honor of the Freedom House Museum.

Register in advance at

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_M1TF4cG3R9qLZYppA4KaDg